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**From:** Heather Biggs [Heather.Biggs@tpwd.texas.gov]  
**Sent:** 12/7/2019 9:26:37 PM  
**To:** Adams, Adam [Adams.Adam@epa.gov]; Claire Iseton [Claire.Iseton@tpwd.texas.gov]  
**CC:** Patel, Anish [patel.anish@epa.gov]; Cobb, Derrick [Derrick.Cobb@WestonSolutions.com]  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] FW: Pollution Report # (Initial)1 South 4 Group Fire - Initial

Thanks Adam,

I was also in contact with Denise Ruffino (FWS) early on. She reviewed the Wildlife Pan.

You, as well, have done a great job!  
Thank you for all your support!  
Heather

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**From:** Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov>  
**Sent:** Saturday, December 7, 2019 3:23:30 PM  
**To:** Claire Iseton <Claire.Iseton@tpwd.texas.gov>; Heather Biggs <Heather.Biggs@tpwd.texas.gov>  
**Cc:** Patel, Anish <patel.anish@epa.gov>; Cobb, Derrick <Derrick.Cobb@WestonSolutions.com>  
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Claire and Heather,

Just a heads up that I've been providing some update to DOI and FWS since the incident began. This sharing was for situational knowledge.

Thanks again for being on this UC and for your great work.

Adam

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**From:** Susan King <susan\_king@ios.doi.gov>  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 30, 2019 1:47 PM  
**To:** Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Denise Ruffino <denise\_ruffino@fws.gov>; Patrice Betz <patrice\_betz@fws.gov>; Jimmy Laurent <jimmy\_laurent@fws.gov>; Brigitte Firmin <brigitte\_firmin@fws.gov>; james.collins@westonsolutions.com; Loesel, Matthew <loesel.matthew@epa.gov>; Rouse, Philip <rouse.philip@epa.gov>; Daniel Tighe <Daniel.Tighe@WestonSolutions.com>; Barry Forsythe <Barry\_Forsythe@fws.gov>; Lynn Wellman <lynn\_wellman@fws.gov>  
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Adam, thanks for the updates.

Sent from my iPhone

On Nov 30, 2019, at 10:07 AM, Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov> wrote:

Good morning all,

Just an update. Continued no reported or observed impact to the Neches River so far, 10:00 am 11/30/19.

Thanks  
Adam

**From:** King, Susan <[susan\\_king@ios.doi.gov](mailto:susan_king@ios.doi.gov)>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 29, 2019 1:12 PM  
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Adam,

Thanks for the update this morning. Glad to read the sheen was kept within containment yesterday.

And now and as the incident response proceeds, if you've got any questions or would like some technical assistance regarding presence and any effects to species and habitats under FWS jurisdiction to support response operations, you can reach out to Denise Ruffino on her cell at 281.667.2088 (you may have her # from the ITC tank fire, but in case not).

Denise or other FWS folks, feel free to chime in with questions or comments for Adam. Thanks again for the SA,

Susan

On Fri, Nov 29, 2019 at 7:04 AM Adams, Adam <[Adams.Adam@epa.gov](mailto:Adams.Adam@epa.gov)> wrote:

Good morning Susan and FWS,

The update this morning indicated a breach in an outfall yesterday afternoon, and visible sheen along their drainage, but it remains inside containment booms and has not reached the Neches River.

A new OSRO was activated yesterday and been on-site securing the drainage pathway and recovering spillage.

If you have any questions, or need any information, please don't hesitate.

VR,  
Adam

**From:** King, Susan <[susan\\_king@ios.doi.gov](mailto:susan_king@ios.doi.gov)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 28, 2019 2:50 PM  
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Adam,

Thanks for your email and polrep. We (myself and Texas and Louisiana FWS folks, cc'd), have been tracking the incident and response via TPWD, the Region 6 watch line, and Responselink postings. I had been messaging with Denise Ruffino this morning and was planning to send you an email for an update- and when I went to write it, there was your email in my mailbox!

NOAA posted a fate and effects model to Responselink which they ran in case there is runoff or wastewater discharge to the river or other natural water body, If these occur (though effects unlikely giving product volatility and low concentrations), if you could keep us in the loop for situational awareness, we'd appreciate it. Thanks again,

Susan

On Thu, Nov 28, 2019 at 1:03 PM Adams, Adam <Adams.Adam@epa.gov> wrote:

Good afternoon Susan,

Hope you are doing well and having a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday.

Just sending some details about this incident that occurred on Wednesday, November 27, 2019 at approximately 1 am.

The website for additional information is [www.epa.response.gov/south4groupfire](http://www.epa.response.gov/south4groupfire).

As of this morning, there's been no report of off-site impact to the downstream Neches River waterway. Primary release has been emissions, which have shown non detect in the down wind community by land air monitoring teams by EPA, TCEQ, and TPC nor EPA's ASPECT overflights.

If you have any comments or concerns, please do not hesitate.

Very Respectfully,

Adam

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This POLREP has been finalized.

Attached is a Pollution Report (POLREP) regarding:

USEPA Region VI  
South 4 Group Fire  
2102 Spur 136, Port Neches, TX

To view this POLREP, please open the attachment.

For additional information regarding this site,  
please visit the website by clicking on this link:  
<http://response.epa.gov/south4groupfire>

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